

# NM EQIP FY 2005 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands - Lordsburg F.O.

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Farm No. \_\_\_\_\_ Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_ CMS Field No's. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Tribal Land \_\_\_\_\_ Preliminary Rating \_\_\_\_ Final Rating \_\_\_\_

## 1. Plants - 60 Potential Points (25% of Total)

If using this method of evaluation use stocking rate based on MLRA, etc. <b>OR</b> stocking rate for irrigated lands. Do not use both.		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
<b>Grazing Plan</b>	Intensive Rotation			20		
	Seasonal Use			10		
	Continuous Use			0		
<b>Deferrment Period</b>	>90% of Growing Season			20		
	51-90% of Growing Season			15		
	26-50% of Growing Season			10		
	0-25% of Growing Season			5		
<b>Stocking Rate Based On: MLRA 42 SITE Hills St: 26-50</b>	11.1+	Acres/ 1 AUM		20		
	10.1 to 11	Acres/ 1 AUM		15		
	8.6 to 10	Acres/ 1 AUM		10		
	7 to 8.5	Acres/ 1 AUM		5		
<b>(Irr Lands) Stocking Rate Based on Soils Data &amp; Ag Tech Note 41</b>	8.1+	AUM's/Acre		20		
	6.1-8	AUM's/Acre		15		
	4.1-6	AUM's/Acre		10		
	4 or less	AUM's/Acre		5		
				<b>1. Plants Total:</b>		

## 2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 165 Potential Points (65% of Total)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.	Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
<b>Soil Erosion - Sheet and Rill</b>			
Water Distribution - L/S Well (642), Pumping Plant (533), Pipeline (516), Trough (614)	15		
Fencing (382)	10		
Brush Management (314)	7		
Erosion Control - Diversion (362), Grade Stab. Struct. (410), Stream Habitat Imp. & Mgmt. (395)	3		
Range Planting (550)	1		
<b>Water Quantity - Restricted Capacity from Sediment Deposition</b>			
Water Distribution - L/S Well (642), Pumping Plant (533), Pipeline (516), Trough (614)	15		
Brush Management (314)	7		
Erosion Control - Diversion (362), Grade Stab. Struct. (410), Stream Habitat Imp. & Mgmt. (395)	3		
<b>Water Quality - Surface Water Contaminants</b>			
Water Distribution - L/S Well (642), Pumping Plant (533), Pipeline (516), Trough (614)	15		
Fencing (382)	10		
Brush Management (314)	7		
Erosion Control - Diversion (362), Grade Stab. Struct. (410), Stream Habitat Imp. & Mgmt. (395)	3		
<b>Plants - Condition - Productivity</b>			
Water Distribution - L/S Well (642), Pumping Plant (533), Pipeline (516), Trough (614)	15		
Fencing (382)	10		
Brush Management (314)	7		
Erosion Control - Diversion (362), Grade Stab. Struct. (410), Stream Habitat Imp. & Mgmt. (395)	3		
Range Planting (550)	1		
<b>Animals - Habitat - Food, Cover, or Shelter</b>			
Water Distribution - L/S Well (642), Pumping Plant (533), Pipeline (516), Trough (614)	15		
Fencing (382)	10		
Brush Management (314)	7		
Range Planting (550)	1		
<b>2. Conservation Practice Selection Total:</b>			

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## 3. Other Considerations - 25 Potential Points (10% of Total)

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to <u>recommend</u> based on LWG advice, please include them as item E.	Potential Points	Bench-mark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced.	5	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	5	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 309 project.	5	0	
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	5	0	
E. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and/or prevent infestation of Class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA	5	0	
<b>3. Other Considerations</b>	<b>Total:</b>	0	

Total Points (After minus Benchmark): Section 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Section 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Section 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Total for Worksheet \_\_\_\_\_ \*

**\*A minimum of 40 total points must be earned to be considered for contract selection.**

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Designated Conservationist

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Date